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A MEDICAL DICTIONARY FOR NURSES: Giving the Definition, Pronunciation, and Derivation of Terms Used in Medicine, together with Supplementary Tables of Weights, Measures, Chemical Symbols, etc., Arranged with Special Reference to Use by Nurses. By Amy Elizabeth Pope, Graduate of the School of Nursing of the Presbyterian Hospital, in the City of New York; Special Diploma in Education from Teachers College, Columbia University, New York; Formerly Instructor in the School of Nursing, Presbyterian Hospital; Instructor in School of Nursing, St. Luke's Hospital, San Francisco, Cal. Author of "Essentials of Dietetics," "Quiz Book of Nursing," "Anatomy and Physiology for Nurses," and, with Anna Maxwell, of "Practical Nursing." Published by G. P. Putnam, 2–4–6 West 46th St., New York. Price $1.

Miss Pope's name on the title page of any book on nursing is a guarantee of its merits. The present volume takes its place with the best that she has furnished heretofore. To no other writer for nurses can be ascribed the wonderfully nice power of selection found here. Nothing is omitted that the nurse pupil might have occasion to look up, and in the fewest possible words she will find all that is vital to any given subject. The word *bath* is followed by about 1300 words or two pages, the greatest amount of space accorded to a single word; but there remains little to be said on the subject that has not been included in those two pages. It is more than a dictionary; containing the digest of most extensive reading.

Words signifying chemical compounds are followed by their symbols: dextrose, ($C_6H_{12}O_6$). Words derived from other languages have their roots: "dextrose, (Lat. dexter = right") and where there is some fragment of information calculated to fix itself permanently in the pupil's mind, space is not grudged for it: "Dextrose was so called because it turns polarized light to the right." The dictionary is uniform with the other Pope books in business-like blue linen binding and gives a great deal for its price of one dollar.